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Rep. Dave McCurdy, D-Okla., has acquired a new role that might be described as a watchdog's watchdog. He has been named to a House committee that checks the people who keep check on other people.

But much of what the congressman does in his new role may never be known, because The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence meets behind locked doors in a soundproof room and reveals practically nothing of its oversight of the nation's intelligence activities.

McCurdy is the newest member of the committee which has jurisdiction over the Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, and the intelligence activities of the FBI and other federal agencies.